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CANADIAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION:

The *Calgary Numismatic Society* is the host for this year's annual Canadian Numismatic Association (C.N.A.) convention to be held July 20th to July 24th, 2005 in Calgary, Alberta. Show chairman and our CAWMC sec./treas., *Al Munro*, has provided me with a more detailed description of the planned TOURS (pages 5 and 6), which will hopefully take place throughout this convention. In previous newsletters, I have shown draft copies of the Registration Form and Program of Events for this convention. Last month, some minor changes were noted and some other notable, *minor changes are indicated at the bottom of page six of this newsletter*. Please note that the times of the four AUCTION SESSIONS have been revised.

Note that our annual CAWMC breakfast, general meeting will take place on *Sunday July 24th at 8:00 a.m.* You do not have to attend the breakfast in order to attend the general meeting. President Norm Belsten will be there to conduct the meeting during which several presentations (begun at last year's general meeting) will take place.

NOMINATIONS AND C.A.W.M.C. EXECUTIVE:

I have been informed that *no election* for any of the executive positions will be required this year. This 'no election' seems to have become the general trend over the last several years. The new executive for year 2005 to year 2007, will be announced at the annual, general meeting on Sunday July 24th.

AN ALASKAN CHRONICLE continues:

Once again, I say 'thank you' to *David Phillips* of Port Alberni B.C. for his on-going articles on woods from various places in Alaska. David has done much research on these issues. The woods of *Juneau*, Alaska are featured this month. There are more articles to come in future newsletters.

SNIPPETS OF THE C.A.W.M.C. PAST continues:

Your current editor's attempts to provide some sense of our CAWMC past, gleaned from past newsletters, also continues this month. Our CAWMC has just completed *thirty years* and this milestone is to be recognized at this year's general meeting.

NEED MATERIAL: The mailbox is empty. Please send in those articles.

MAP TO ACCOMPANY "AN ALASKAN CHRONICLE"**by DAVID PHILLIPS ON PAGE 3****PAST PRESIDENTS:**

Garry Braunwarth – 1975-1977

Victor Hall – 1977-1979

Don Robb – 1979-1981

Stan Clute – 1981-1983

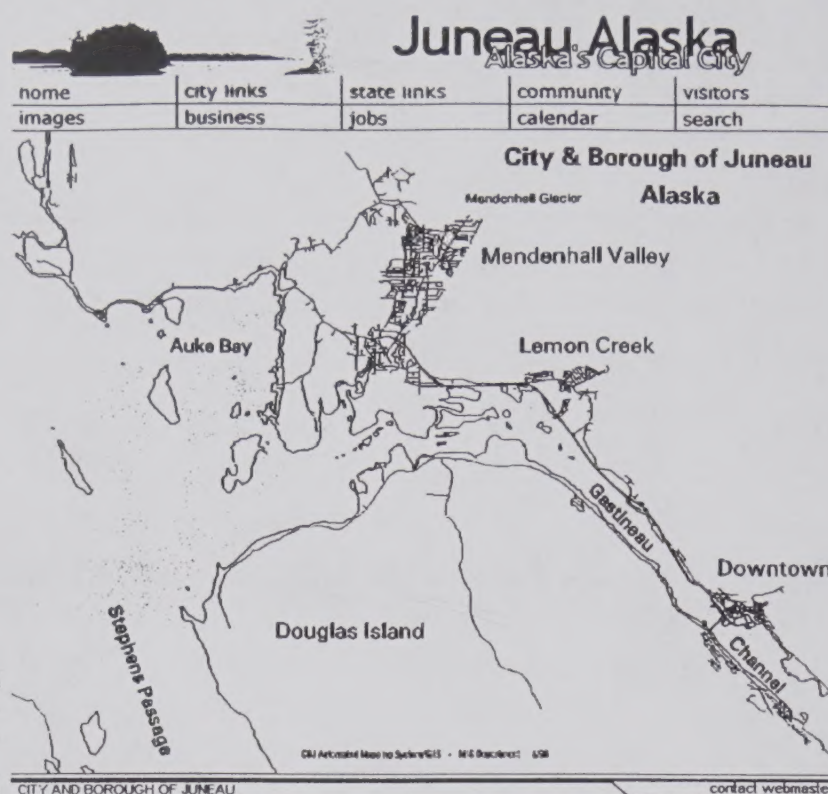
Neil Probert – 1983-1985

Norm Belsten – 1985-1991

Pat White – 1991-1995

Lou Vesh – 1995-2001

Earl Salterio – 2001-2003

**CAWMC OFFICERS**

President: NORM BELSTEN
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DUES: Membership dues in the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors are:

Canadian Residents: \$10.00 Canadian Funds
 United States Residents: \$10.00 U.S. Funds
 International Members Rate (outside of Canada and U.S.): \$20.00 Canadian Funds
 Youth (16 years of age and under): \$5.00

Dues paid to Mr. Al Munro, Box 2643 Stn. 'M', Calgary, AB, Canada T2P 3C1

FREE WOOD OF THE MONTH

This 'free wood' was donated by *Al Munro* and the *Calgary Numismatic Society* (C.N.S.), as a promotional wood for this year's (2005) Canadian Numismatic Association (C.N.A.) convention, to be held this July, in Calgary, Alberta.

The wood was placed in the registration kits and distributed at the banquet at last year's (2004) C.N.A. convention in Toronto.

The C.N.A. logo side is blue in colour while the promotional side is red.

"Thank you" Al and C.N.S. for this wood donation.

AN ALASKAN CHRONICLE by David 'Rusty' Phillips of Port Alberni, B.C.

The next few articles, that feature a few more Alaska woods, will be articles on the Towns on the Alaskan Panhandle, at which north bound cruise ships, sailing from Vancouver or Seattle, stop.

The first Port Of Call is usually Ketchikan. Since this Town and its woods were featured in one of my earlier articles, I will pass on this town at this time.

So, the second Port Of Call is: JUNEAU.

The location of present day Juneau was originally a fishing grounds for the local Tlingit Indians. In the late 1800's, a Tlingit Indian showed gold samples from the area to a Sitka based mining engineer. In 1880, he sent two prospectors (Richard Harris & Joe Juneau) to the area to check for gold. They found good quantities of gold and many more prospectors soon came to the area. A 160 acre town site was laid out and it became a boom town. Hard rock gold mining soon developed and continued until as late as 1944.

The town was named after Joe Juneau, the first prospector, and because of the town's booming mining business and it becoming a center of business & commerce, it supplanted Sitka as the State Capital, in 1906.

Juneau, with its current population of 30,711, is still the State Capital with federal, state and local governments employing one out of every two Juneau workers. Tourism is the largest private employer. Commercial fishing and some mining also contribute to the economy.

Juneau has no road access to the 'outside', and has only 45 miles of road in and around it. (see map on top of page 2). The wood I have chosen to illustrate is one that has 5 variations, of which I am aware, as follows:

- American Legion, Post 4 Obv.- Dk. Blue Rev. - Black c/w Large Logo
- American Legion, Post 4 Obv.- Dk. Blue Rev. - Black c/w Small Logo
- American Legion, Post 4 Obv.- Blue Rev. - Blue c/w Small Logo
- American Legion, Post 4 Obv.- Dk. Blue Rev. - Black c/w Large Logo (crossed 6 guns)
- American Legion, Post 4 Obv.- Black Rev. - Dk. Blue (Indian Head)

There are 16 different woods issued in Juneau, of which I know. These have many variations of the originals, eg; colour, lettering, picture differences etc. etc. These additional variations (31) give me a total of 47 "different" woods from Juneau. It is obvious that several of the other 15 different woods have large numbers of variations. (eg; American Legion with 4 variations, Model Hobby & Rock Shop with 11 variations !)

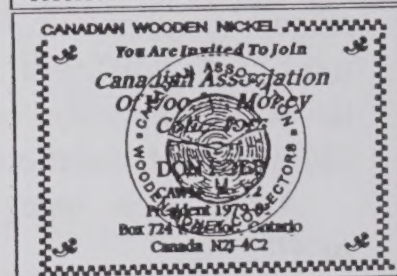
Again, *I encourage readers to send copies of their Juneau woods to the editor, for the edification of all of us.*



SNIPPETS OF THE C.A.W.M.C. PAST: - SOME C.A.W.M.C. FIRSTS: -continued

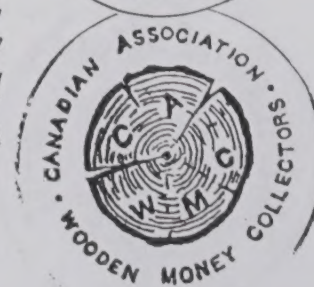
Here, I attempt to continue from where I left off in the April 2005 newsletter. At that time, I had begun to talk about the *first CHAPTERS of CAWMC* and had indicated that the *Southern Ontario Chapter* was the first to be formed in *early 1981*. The organizational meeting took place at John Curtis' home and even though a 1981 newsletter states that six people attended that meeting, I am told by some, who were at that meeting, that the *seven* people attending were: *John Curtis, Don Robb, Norm Belsten, Russell Brown, Norm Wells, Albert Kasman and Basil Latham*. This group held several future informal meetings to discuss the Chapter formation and a wood was issued (shown here) to recognize its founding. Note that the wood shows the Chapter was 'FORMED' in *Jan. 1981*, but the September 1981 newsletter states that the first OFFICIAL meeting of this group was held on September 1, 1981 with 10 people attending. Again, I am informed, by some of those in attendance at this gathering, that there were in fact 12 people in attendance. They were: *Norm Belsten, Norm Wells, Paul Johnson, Russell Brown, Judith Brown, Lou Vesh, Basil Latham, Albert Kasman, Gus Konieczko, Al Bliman, Howard Richardson and Sally Richardson*.

This S.O.C. Chapter of CAWMC still holds regular monthly gatherings and also hosts a meeting at the annual Ontario Numismatic Association (O.N.A.) Spring convention. The group hosted its *first meeting at an O.N.A. convention on April 26, 1981 at Niagara Falls, Ontario*. Several woods were issued, by members attending that first S.O.C. of CAWMC meeting, at an O.N.A. convention. Some, but not all, of those woods are shown here.



While we are talking about the Chapters of CAWMC, I'll talk about the others here. It appears that the *2ND Chapter of CAWMC* was the *Calgary & District Alberta Chapter*. The formation of this Chapter was talked about at a meeting held on April 18th, 1981, at which time it was moved that a Chapter be formed, and then the first inaugural meeting was held on *May 29th, 1981* at the home of Al Munro (our current Sec./Treas. and Membership Chairman). Attending this first gathering were: *Mrs. Honor Prince (Calgary), Frank Harding (Saskatchewan), Garry Braunwarth (Calgary), Frank Selman (Calgary), Al Munro (Calgary) and Earl Salterio (Calgary)*. This Chapter issued its *first Chapter wood in 1984* (shown here). To my knowledge, this Chapter does not now meet regularly.

Next month, I'll talk about the 'woodies' organization from *Maritime, Canada*.



CALGARY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY HOSTS
55TH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE
CANADIAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

The Calgary Numismatic Society is pleased to host the 55th Anniversary Convention of The Canadian Numismatic Association. 2005 is the 100th Anniversary of the formation of the Province of Alberta and The Canadian Numismatic Association's 2005 Convention shares with the residents of Alberta in celebrating the 100th Anniversary by declaring its theme "Alberta 100 Years Proud. Come Celebrate Our Centennial".

The 2005 Convention Committee is pleased to offer several offsite tours which will allow the delegates to share in Alberta's and Calgary's rich historical, cultural and natural resources. The convention activities commence Wednesday morning with a bus tour of some of the scenic and historic highlights of the province's southern landscape. The tour will travel south of Calgary showing the participants a brief glimpse of some of Calgary's southern neighbours including High River, Nanton, with its numerous antique shops and its Lancaster bomber display, and Claresholm. The bus will not stop in any of these locations but will continue on to its first destination "Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump".

Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump is a World Heritage Site located approximately 2 hours south of Calgary. The interpretive centre at the site allows visitors to view one of the oldest, largest and best preserved buffalo jumps in North America. The five level site provides an excellent insight to the methods, procedures and actual site used by the native Americans for nearly 6,000 years. Lunch will be provided at the interpretive centre and will feature their famous delicious "Buffalo Stew".

The tour will then proceed through historic Fort McLeod, with its many historic buildings, to the south-west corner of the Province, where in this breathtaking part of the world, the majestic Rocky Mountains rise suddenly out of the rolling prairies. Amid the peaks are the beautiful lakes of Waterton Lakes National Park, carved out of the rock by ancient glaciers. Also located in the Park is the beautiful and historic Prince of Wales hotel. In the Park there will be a brief stop to enjoy the mountain air and the amenities of the town.

The bus will then return to Calgary along scenic Highway 22X through the "Foothills" of Alberta and will pass by the Big Rock near Okotoks. The Big Rock is a glacial erratic (huge boulder) left behind following the retreat of the last ice age 10,000 years ago. The Big Rock is estimated to weigh 16,000 tons. Okotoks is named for the Blackfoot word "okatok," which means rock. The bus will arrive in Calgary around 6:00 PM leaving the delegates the whole evening to enjoy the restaurants and sights of Calgary.

On Friday morning the spouses and delegates will be given a chance to share in Calgary's rich history by enjoying a tour of some of the gravesites of the famous or infamous

residents in Calgary's Union Cemetery. The cemetery tour will be led by Don Sucha, a member of the Calgary Numismatic Society and an avid local history researcher. Among the gravesites that will be visited are: Thomas Kempster; one of the original inventors of the Mounted Police Musical Ride, who has his medals engraved on his tombstone; Col. James Macleod, the man who ordered the building of Fort Calgary and who gave Calgary its name; Harry Cooper, The Yorkshire Giant - a circus performer of immense height who passed away while performing in Calgary and whose grave remained unmarked for over 100 years; George Clift King, the first Mountie to set foot on the site of Fort Calgary, and who became Mayor of Calgary following a scandal; and Sam Livingstone, Calgary's first white settler. The tour will then proceed to the restored turn of the 20th Century residence of Senator James Lougheed, grandfather of Alberta's former Premier, Peter Lougheed, for lunch and a tour of the restored residence. The residence was restored for the Province's centennial.

On Friday evening, delegates and guests are invited to The Nickle Arts Museum, located on the campus of the University of Calgary. The Nickle Arts Museum holds one of the most important numismatic collections in Canada. The museum opened in 1979 and is named in honour of its benefactors, Sam and Carl Nickle. Carl Nickle was a prominent Calgary coin collector, whose large collection comprises the core of the museum's numismatic holdings. The numismatic Curator, Geraldine Chimirri-Russell will give delegates and guests a private tour of the two major numismatic exhibitions, "Canadian Money" and "Money bridging Cultures," The latter exhibition is part of the International Council of Museums theme of "Museums Bridging Cultures", and features so-called primitive money, recently donated in honour of Jack Shinske. The cost includes a cocktail party with a no host bar available.

On Saturday, spouses and delegates will be given the opportunity to see some of the more famous sites of Calgary by participating in a bus tour in the afternoon. Some of the sites that will be encountered are the Calgary Tower, the Pengrowth Saddledome, Canada Olympic Park, the Calgary Zoo, and the University of Calgary featuring the Olympic Oval and The Nickle Arts Museum.

All tours are subject to capacity limitations and are also subject to cancellation if minimum registrations are not obtained by June 15, 2005.

CHANGES TO PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED EVENTS:

Please note that the **AUCTION SESSION TIMES** have been changed to the following:

Session #1	Thursday	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Session #2	Friday	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Session #3	Friday	6:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.
Session #4	Saturday	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The **NICKE ARTS MUSEUM EXHIBIT LAUNCH** should show Friday 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.